

sanitary or phytosanitary measures against any pest to protect the environment or human, animal, or plant life or health.

(3) ARTICLE XX ("TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE").—The United States understands that the provisions of Article XX entail no binding obligation to appropriate funds for technical assistance.

(b) DECLARATION.—The advice and consent of the Senate is subject to the following declaration:

TREATY INTERPRETATION.—The Senate affirms the applicability to all treaties of the constitutionally based principles of treaty interpretation set forth in Condition (1) of the resolution of ratification of the INF Treaty, approved by the Senate on May 27, 1988, and Condition (8) of the resolution of ratification of the Document Agreed Among the State Parties to the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe, approved by the Senate on May 14, 1997.

(c) PROVISOS.—The advice and consent of the Senate is subject to the following:

(1) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—One year after the date the amended Convention enters into force for the United States, and annually thereafter for five years, the Secretary of Agriculture, in consultation with the Secretary of State, shall provide a report on Convention implementation to the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate setting forth at least the following:

(A) a discussion of the sanitary or phytosanitary standard-setting activities of the IPPC during the previous year;

(B) a discussion of the sanitary or phytosanitary standards under consideration or planned for consideration by the IPPC in the coming year;

(C) information about the budget of the IPPC in the previous fiscal year; and

(D) a list of countries which have ratified or accepted the amended Convention, including dates and related particulars.

(2) SUPREMACY OF THE CONSTITUTION.—Nothing in the amended Convention requires or authorizes legislation or other action by the United States of America that is prohibited by the Constitution of the United States as interpreted by the United States.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 3161. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission to conduct a study on certain hospital costs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 3162. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to make grants to improve security at schools, including the placement and use of metal detectors; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 3163. A bill to designate the calendar decade beginning on January 1, 2001, as the "Decade of Pain Control and Research"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAYH (for himself, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. CLELAND):

S. 3164. A bill to protect seniors from fraud; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROTH (for himself, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. KERREY):

S. 3165. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to make corrections and refinements in the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP health insurance programs, as revised by the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 and the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Balanced Budget Refinement Act of 1999, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 3166. A bill to amend the Clinger-Cohen Act of 1996 to provide individual federal agencies and the executive branch as a whole with increased incentives to use the share-in-savings program under that Act, to ease the use of such program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. DOMENICI (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 3167. A bill to establish a physician recruitment and retention demonstration project under the medicare program under title XVIII of the Social Security Act; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TORRICELLI:

S. 3168. A bill to eliminate any limitation on indictment for sexual offenses and make awards to States to reduce their DNA case-work backlogs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. CRAPO, and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 3169. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the International Revenue Code of 1986 with respect to drugs for minor animal species, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DODD (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 3170. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to assist institutions of higher education to help at-risk students to stay in school and complete their 4-year postsecondary academic programs by helping those institutions to provide summer programs and grant aid for such students, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself, Mr. BREAUX, and Mr. STEVENS):

S. 3171. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the section 29 credit for producing fuel from a non-conventional source; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 3172. A bill to provide access to affordable health care for all Americans; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. BOND, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. L. CHAFEE, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. MOYNIHAN, and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 3173. A bill to improve the implementation of the environmental streamlining provisions of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century; read the first time.

By Mr. ABRAHAM:

S. 3174. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a long-term capital gains deduction for individuals; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CRAIG (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GORTON, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HARKIN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERREY, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LUGAR, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY,

Mr. REED, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. THOMAS, and Mr. WELLSTONE):

S. 3175. A bill to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act to authorize the National Rural Development Partnership, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. MACK:

S. Res. 367. A resolution urging the Government of Egypt to provide a timely and open appeal for Shaiboub William Arsel and to complete an independent investigation of police brutality in Al-Kosheh; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself and Mr. TORRICELLI):

S. Con. Res. 142. A concurrent resolution relating to the reestablishment of representative government in Afghanistan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. Con. Res. 143. A concurrent resolution to make technical corrections in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 3676; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LOTT (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. Con. Res. 144. A concurrent resolution commemorating the 200th anniversary of the first meeting of Congress in Washington, DC; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Mr. BAYH (for himself, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. LEAHY, and Mr. CLELAND):

S. 3164. A bill to protect seniors from fraud; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PROTECTING SENIORS FROM FRAUD ACT

Mr. BAYH. Mr. President, today I rise as the author of the Protecting Seniors From Fraud Act, a bipartisan bill to prevent fraud against seniors.

The Protecting Seniors From Fraud Act is extremely important because seniors are disproportionately victims of telemarketing and sweepstakes fraud. Even though Americans over the age of 50 account for approximately 27% of the United States population, they comprise 56% of the "mooch lists" used by fraudulent telemarketers. Unfortunately, fraudulent telemarketers prey upon the trusting nature of seniors and as a result seniors lose approximately \$14.8 billion each year.

This can be prevented if seniors are educated about their consumer rights and are informed about methods that are available to them to confirm the legitimacy of an investment or product. According to a national survey, 70% of older fraud victims say it is difficult to identify when fraud is happening and 40% of older Americans cannot distinguish between a legitimate